

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Watkins GROUP: 1762  
SERIAL NO: 09/464,997 EXAMINER: K. Bareford  
FILED: December 16, 1999  
FOR: METHOD FOR APPLYING SYNTACTIC FOAM THERMAL  
INSULATION TO A LENGTH OF PIPE [as amended]

Commissioner for Patents  
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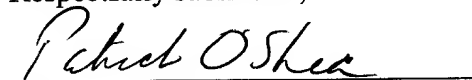
**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a), petition is made for a THREE (3) month extension of time to file the attached Amendment, in response to the Official Action dated March 27, 2003.

A check in the amount of \$840.00 is enclosed herewith, in which \$465.00 is for the extension fee.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any further extension and/or fee that is required to Deposit Order Account 19-0079.

Respectfully submitted,



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